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Classified By: Ambassador William T. Monroe for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

(C) Pol/Econ Chief June 17 delivered reftel demarche urging support for UNRWA appeals for Lebanon, the West Bank, and Gaza to MFA Director for Bilateral Affairs Dhafer Al Umran. Al Umran said he would forward the points to the Foreign Minister but commented that Bahrain did not have the financial ability to provide significant support for UNRWA. He was pleased, however, to note that Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates had recently announced large contributions to the Lebanese government as it takes on Fatah Al Islam extremists.

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